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Reporting for the week ending December 13, 2009.

Message from the Editor

This is the final Crop Progress and Condition Release for 2009. We will resume this report in late March 2010. We would like to give special thanks to our County Agents and the National Weather Service for their ongoing participation.

General

A continued pattern of below normal temperatures was seen throughout the state last week accompanied with chilling winds midweek. All 36 weather stations reported below normal temperatures last week with 20 stations reporting low temperatures in the teens or below. Lows ranged from 9 degrees Fahrenheit at Fayetteville to 26 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. Highs ranged from 45 degrees Fahrenheit at Mountain Home, Clarksville and Ozark to 69 degrees Fahrenheit at Monticello. Rain showers also brought precipitation to most of the state last week. The greatest precipitation amount was recorded at Rohwer with 3.86 inches, followed by 2.27 inches recorded at Monticello. Topsoil moisture supplies were 58 percent adequate and 42 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent short, 67 percent adequate and 32 percent surplus. On average, farmers had 4.2 days suitable for fieldwork.

Crops

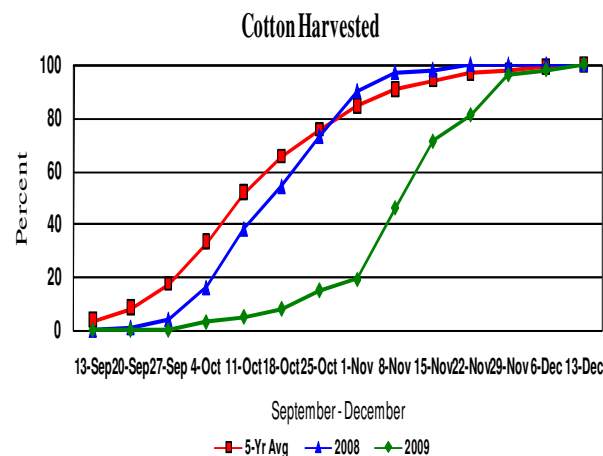
Cold, wet weather hindered field work once again last week. Field preparation for next year's crops and the last harvesting activities were still occurring. Cotton producers harvested 2 percent of their crop by week's end to reach virtually 100 percent complete.

Livestock

Livestock were in mostly fair to good condition last week. Cattle ranchers are beginning to feed hay and supplements to their herds.

Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2008	5-Year Avg
Cotton	Harvested	100	98	100	100



Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending December 13									
District	Station	Temperatures			Wk Ending Dec 13	Rainfall			
		High	Low	Dep from Normal *		4 wk Accum	4 wk Normal	Year to Date	
								2009	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	54	9	-4	0.35	1.07	3.99	51.91	42.88
	Harrison	51	10	-3	0.31	0.72	4.31	57.43	41.69
N. Central	Calico Rock	49	12	-7	0.59	1.48	4.44	54.04	42.47
	Gilbert	53	11	-6	0.55	1.12	4.55	56.24	41.31
	Greers Ferry	48	17	-6	0.96	2.01	5.28	61.15	47.25
	Mtn. Home	45	11	-7	0.71	1.61	4.71	59.99	41.90
Northeast	Batesville	51	16	-6	1.00	2.02	4.92	61.92	44.21
	Blytheville	56	21	-2	1.94	3.82	4.68	48.11	46.31
	Jonesboro	54	19	-3	1.28	3.51	4.50	65.52	42.56
	Keiser	56	20	-5	1.99	4.18	4.60	54.93	45.59
	Newport	51	19	-7	1.01	2.99	5.10	73.40	45.00
W. Central	Booneville	48	16	-10	0.14	0.98	4.60	64.29	44.06
	Clarksville	45	16	-9	0.59	1.79	4.70	58.66	43.31
	Dardanelle	50	17	-8	0.66	1.48	4.73	51.61	44.75
	Ft. Smith	50	16	-5	0.46	1.02	4.03	54.57	40.59
	Mena	48	14	-9	1.05	3.23	5.27	71.82	54.06
	Ozark	45	15	-9	0.59	1.23	4.48	57.59	41.83
Central	Conway	48	16	-9	1.72	3.61	4.92	72.99	44.90
	Hot Springs	50	18	-7	1.17	3.18	5.60	72.35	53.22
	Little Rock	53	23	-5	1.26	3.73	5.11	69.29	47.06
	Morrilton	48	17	-7	0.84	2.87	5.07	67.62	44.66
	N. Little Rock	51	19	-7	1.18	3.38	5.09	67.15	45.32
E. Central	Brinkley	55	21	-6	1.60	3.76	4.47	62.52	45.00
	Marianna	59	23	-4	1.44	4.12	5.06	62.52	48.38
	Stuttgart	56	22	-6	1.39	4.45	4.84	68.41	44.91
	West Memphis	61	23	-1	0.73	2.73	5.48	57.08	48.51
Southwest	DeQueen	51	19	-5	0.69	1.65	5.32	53.02	50.83
	Hope	51	20	-6	1.02	3.20	5.33	77.22	50.30
	Texarkana	52	21	-8	0.54	3.59	4.99	69.13	43.68
S. Central	Camden	56	22	-7	0.76	2.93	4.90	74.18	48.96
	El Dorado	67	25	-3	1.02	4.32	4.43	65.03	49.83
	Warren	63	22	-6	2.13	4.58	5.04	77.82	51.31
Southeast	Eudora	59	23	-7	1.16	4.42	5.24	67.07	52.02
	Monticello	69	26	-1	2.27	4.94	4.88	68.75	51.04
	Pine Bluff	55	24	-4	0.93	3.47	4.82	66.36	48.01
	Rohwer	67	25	-4	3.86	7.54	5.28	62.15	47.72

* Departure from normal = $\frac{(\text{high} - \text{low})}{2} - 30$ year average

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